

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

Name of operator Future Footprints Family Centre Inc.	Licence Number 2011275	Inspection Date July 05, 2022
Facility Name Future Footprints Family Centre		Telephone Number (506) 273-4250
Address 9 School St Perth-Andover NB E7H 4T4		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Jul 05, 2022	
Comments: While inspecting the playground during the monitoring inspection visit, licensing staff observed standing water accumulating inside one of the tires. Holes need to be drilled in the tire to allow the water to drain to keep the water from accumulating and becoming a safety hazard.			

General Comments

Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility to conduct a monitoring visit on July 5th, 2022. When licensing was walking to towards the entrance of the building, they heard singing coming from the gazebo area. Licensing staff walked towards the singing and found the preschool group in the gazebo having a sing-along. The centre has arranged for Annie to come in with their guitar and have a sing-along with the preschool group on a weekly basis throughout the summer. Licensing staff sat down and joined the group in the sing-along activity. The songs that were sung were: "If Your Happy and You Know It", "Down By the Bay", "Head and Shoulders", "1-2-3-4-5, I Once Caught a Fish Alive " and " The Baby Bumblebee Song." The children were observed singing along and doing the actions of the songs.

Once the sing-along was over, the children and educators made their way to the outdoor play space and engaged in play activities until lunch time. While on the playground, licensing staff noted distinct play centres, consisting of: mark making centre consisting of sidewalk chalk and a large chalkboard, along with tree stumps of various heights for the children to sit on or walk across. Other centres that licensing staff noted was a sand play centre, that the educators are in the process of replenishing, and a gross motor centre. where the children could climb and crawl on.

Licensing staff noted that the outdoor play environment had lots of shade for the children get out of the sun on hot summer days. The children's water bottles were brought outside for the children. Please ensure that all water bottles are labelled with the intended child's name to ensure the intended child is the only person drinking from the water bottle. This will also help the child to identify their name.

While observing children playing in the outdoor play environment, licensing staff observed the children searching for worms, bugs and other insects. The educators were observed encouraging language by asking the children open-ended questions about the worms and insects that the children were finding.

General Comments

After lunch, the children washed up and some children went to have a nap while other children went to the story centre where an educator read the children a number of books. While the children were in the book centre, another educator set up invitations of play for the children to engage with after story time was finished. The invitations of play consisted of a painting activity and a playdough activity.

While inspecting the outdoor play space, licensing staff noted that the pea rock was a bit packed down. It is recommended that the pea rock be raked up on a regular basis to ensure the depth is maintained according to the manufacturer's manual.

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Licensing staff observed the school-aged children after lunch. The children were engaging in a variety of free play activities. Licensing staff also noted distinct play centres in the after school space. A group of children were engaging in the cozy/book centre while another group were playing in the dramatic play centre while another group of children were playing board games.

Please update the communication boards with the current Quality Assurance Monitor's contact information. Tanya Gaudet's contact information is as follows: tanya.gaudet@gnb.ca, 506-453-4259

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Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

July 05, 2022

Date

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Signature of Operator/Designate

July 05, 2022

Date